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In re Application of

FILSHIE, et al.

Application No. 10/031,218 Filed: May 7, 2002

Attorney Docket No. 02597

DECISION ON PETITION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 19, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action of June 30, 2005. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2), an amendment that prima facie places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination and submission (37 CFR 1.114), or the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(A)(2). Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is October 1, 2006.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee of \$790, and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

The petition is not signed by an attorney of record. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, the signature of Mr. David M. Driscoll appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent that particular party on whose behalf he acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Monica A. Graves at (571) 272-7253.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 3731 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

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